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SUBJECT: SYRIAN JEWS

REF: DAMASCUS 1170

1. FCO ACTING NEAR EAST AND NORTH AFRICA DEPARTMENT HEAD WILLIAMS TOLD US APRIL 15 THAT BRITISH HAD QUERIED THEIR EMBASSY IN DAMASCUS ON DAILY TELEGRAPH STORY ALLEGING DISTURBANCE IN DAMASCUS JEWISH QUARTER WHICH IS SUBJECT OF REFTEL. EMBASSY REPLIED THAT TO BEST OF ITS KNOWLEDGE NO SUCH INCIDENT HAD TAKEN PLACE.

2. FCO THEN CHECKED DIRECTLY WITH DAILY TELEGRAPH WHICH BECAME CAGEY AS TO EXACT NATURE OF ITS "DIPLOMATIC SOURCES" FOR THE STORY.

3. FCO PASSED ITS INFORMATION ON TO BOARD OF DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS (TOP COORDINATING BODY OF BRITISH JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS). BOARD TOLD FCO THAT IT TOO HAD CHECKED WITH DAILY TELEGRAPH AND LATTER REFUSED TO REVEAL ITS SOURCES TO THE BOARD TOO. BOARD CONSIDERS STORY TO BE FALSE.

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